

## ARCHITECTURAL DESIGNER/ SENIOR ARCHITECT

## **Purpose:**

To actively support and uphold the City's stated mission and values; to perform a variety of professional and architectural work in the programming, design, production and observation of capital and related projects, as well as the conceptualization and visualization of potential and proposed developments; to implement the goals and objectives of the Community Development Department; and to provide responsible assistance to the City Architect or Community Development Director, as well as other City staff.

# **Distinguishing Characteristics:**

### Architectural Designer

This is the journey-level professional class in the architectural series, not requiring registration. This class is distinguished from the Senior Architect+ by the performance of less complex duties. Appointment to the higher level within the classification requires that the employee perform the full range of duties and by obtaining the registration as an architect in the State of Arizona.

### Senior Architect

This is the senior level class within the professional architectural series, requiring registration. Employees within this class are distinguished from the Architectural Designer+ classification by the greater complexity of the assignments received and by the greater interdependence with which an incumbent is expected to perform duties and responsibilities. Incumbents are expected to complete complex architectural assignments requiring the use of judgment and initiative in developing solutions to problems, interpreting general policies and determining work assignments. Employees at this level receive only occasional instruction or assistance as new and unusual situations arise, and are fully aware of the operating procedures and policies of the work unit. Positions in the class are normally filled by advancement from the lower class of Architectural Designer+, or, require prior advanced technical or professional architectural work experience and registration.

# **Supervision Received and Exercised:**

Receives direction from City Architect or other supervisory or management staff.

Architectural Designer/Senior Architect (continued)

Exercises functional and technical supervision over lower level architectural staff.

### **Essential Functions:**

Duties may include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Perform complex assignments in the programming, design, production and observation of capital and related projects; solicit and document input from internal and external "clients", coordinate with applicable regulatory agencies.
- Prepare highly detailed maps, renderings and 3-D models of proposed projects and developments, neighborhoods and other areas, as well as informational and promotional images, utilizing appropriate combinations of freehand and mechanical drawing and a variety of computer programs and software.
- Coordinate and participate in public meetings; make presentations to user groups, boards and commissions.
- Identify and confer with a variety of resources and agencies in obtaining information and providing coordination applicable to assigned architectural and visualization projects.
- Provide technical expertise within work group and other departments; provide or coordinate staff training.
- Prepare detailed reports and plans; develop schedules and estimates; liaison with related agencies and organizations.
- Research and maintain best practices related to architectural design and production, as well as graphics and visualization.
- Perform related duties as assigned.

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

#### **Experience:**

#### Architectural Designer

Minimum of one year of increasingly responsible, related professional experience in the practice of architecture. CITY OF TEMPE

Architectural Designer/Senior Architect (continued)

**Senior Architect** 

Minimum of three years of increasingly responsible, related professional experience in the practice of architecture or architectural engineering; some municipal

experience preferred.

**Education:** 

Equivalent to a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with major course work in architecture or a degree related to the core functions on this

position.

**Licenses/Certifications:** 

Required to obtain within six months of hire, a registration as an architect in the State of Arizona.

**Examples of Physical and/or Mental Activities:** 

(Pending)

Competencies:

(Pending)

Job Code: 369/396

Status for both: Exempt / Classified